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Claims:

1. A pyridine sulfonyl urea derivative of the following formula (1):

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in which

n denotes an integer of from 1 to 3,

R represents H or C₁-C₄-alkyl,

R' represents H, C₁-C₄-alkyl, C₁-C₃-haloalkyl, halogen, or C₁-C₂-alkoxy, and

X and Y independently of one another represent C₁-C₂-alkyl, C₁-C₂-alkoxy, C₁-C₂haloalkoxy, or halogen, salts or stereochemical isomers thereof.

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2. The derivative of claim 1 wherein in denotes an integer of 1 or 2, R represents H or methyl, R' represents H, halogen or methyl, and X and Y each represents methoxy.

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- 3. The derivative of claim 1 wherein n denotes an integer of 1 or 2, R represents methyl, R' represents H, Cl, Br or methyl, and X and Y each represents methoxy.
- 4.
 - The derivative of claim 1 selected from the group consisting of:

20 N-[(4,6-dimethoxypyrimidin-2-yl)aminocarbonyl]-2-(2-fluoro-1-methoxy acetoxyn-propyl)pyridine-3-sulfonamide;

N-[(4,6-dimethoxypyrimidin-2-yl)aminocarbonyl]-2-(2-fluoro-1-hydroxy acetoxy-

n-propyl)pyridine-3-sulfonamide;

N-[(4,6-dimethoxypyrimidin-2-yl)aminocarbonyl]-2-(2-fluoro-1-(3-hydroxy

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propion) oxy-n-propyl) pyridine -3-sulfonamide;

N-[(4,6-dimethoxypyrimidin-2-yl)aminocarbonyl]-2-(2-fluoro-1-(3-

methoxypropion)oxy-n-propyl)pyridine-3-sulfonamide;

N-[(4,6-dimethoxypyrimidin-2-yl)aminocarbonyl]-4-methyl-2-(2-fluoro-1-

methoxyacetoxy-n-propyl)pyridine-3-sulfonamide;

N-[(4,6-dimethoxypyrimidin-2-yl)aminocarbonyl]-4-chloro-2-(2-fluoro-1-

methoxyacetoxy-n-propyl)pyridine-3-sulfonamide; and

N-[(4,6-dimethoxypyrimidin-2-yl)aminocarbonyl]-4-bromo-2-(2-fluoro-1-

methoxyacetoxy-n-propyl)pyridine-3-sulfonamide.

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The derivative of claim 1 which is present in the stereoisomeric form of erythro.

6. A compound of the following formula (6):

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O & & & & & & \\
N & & & & & & \\
& & & & & & \\
N & & & & & & \\
F & & & & & & \\
SO_2NH_2 & & & & \\
R' & & & & & \\
\end{array}$$
(6)

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in which

n, R and R' are defined as in claim 1.

- 7. The compound of claim 6 which is 2-(2-fluoro-1-methoxyacetoxy-n-propyl)pyridine-3-sulfonamide.
- 8. A process for preparing the compound of formula (1) as defined in claim 1 characterized in that a compound of the following formula (6):